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SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP
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Empowerment of Women
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Will the Minister of SKILL DEVELOPMENT AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to introduce the new entrepreneur enterprising scheme for empowering women;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any motivating initiatives have been undertaken to encourage self employment opportunities by reducing certain barriers and hurdles in obtaining financial assistance with encouraging subsidies ; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and statistical information regarding beneficiaries in the country particularly in the State of Maharashtra during each of the last three years and the current year, State −wise?

Answer

(a) & (b) There is no proposal to introduce new entrepreneurship scheme for empowering women specifically.

(c) Hon'ble Prime Minister has launched the Start-up India movement on 16th January, 2016 in which a fund worth Rs.10,000 crore would be created for funding of Start-ups. Besides, Start- ups would be exempted from paying income tax on their profit for the first three years. Further, there will also be eighty percent exemption in patent fee for Start-ups business along with a self-certification based compliance system.

The Government has launched a new scheme called "The Stand−up India Scheme" which was announced by Honourable Prime Minister on 5th April, 2016. The Objective of the Stand-up India Scheme is to facilitate bank loans from Scheduled Commercial Banks (SCBs) between Rs 10 lakh to 1 crore to at least one Scheduled Caste (SC) or Scheduled Tribe (ST) borrower and at least one woman borrower per bank branch for setting up a Greenfield enterprise in trading, services or manufacturing sector.

(d) Since the Schemes came into force recently, no statistics regarding the schemes is available.